



User Data Services for Internet Based Spacecraft Applications

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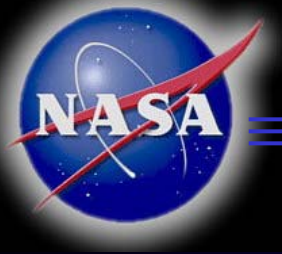
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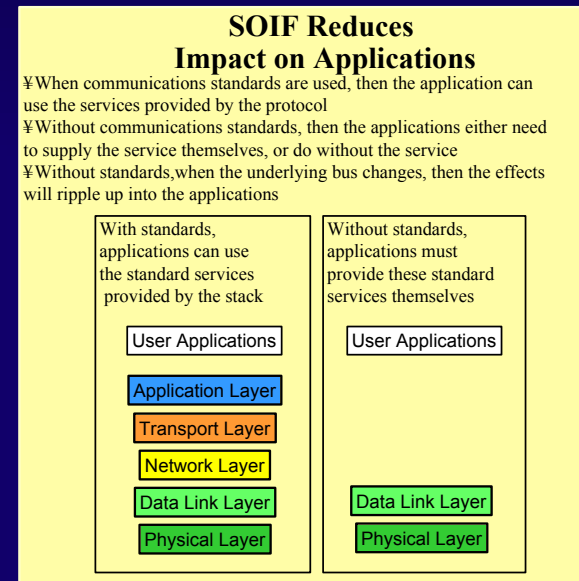
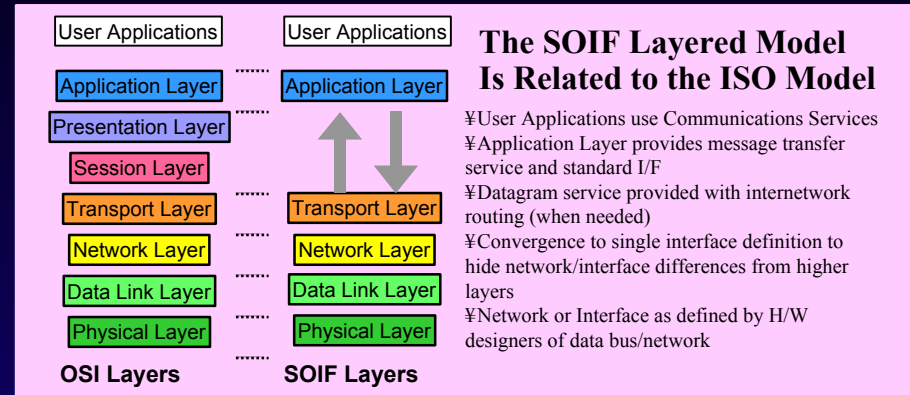
- ◆ Introduction to and Objectives of SOIF
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- ◆ Conclusions and Acknowledgments



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Introduction to SOIF

- ◆ Standardized spacecraft interfaces should lead to:
 - ❖ Plug and play components, devices, and sensors
 - ❖ Reduced development costs and risks
 - ❖ Shorter development times
 - ❖ Shorter spacecraft integration time
 - ❖ Shared design and test documentation
 - ❖ Increased reuse of flight equipment, including instruments
 - ❖ Increased reuse of test equipment
 - ❖ Increased quality of flight and test equipment
 - ❖ Development of standard components
 - ❖ Second-sourcing of flight and test equipment
 - ❖ Potential for secondary or “quick ride” payload opportunities
 - ❖ Easier adoption of new and evolving technologies
 - ◆ Hardware and Software upgrades
 - ◆ Autonomy
 - ◆ Vehicle Health Management
- ◆ SOIF could impact all areas of spacecraft avionics development, including the hardware, software, and the test environment





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Objective and Significance

Overall Objective

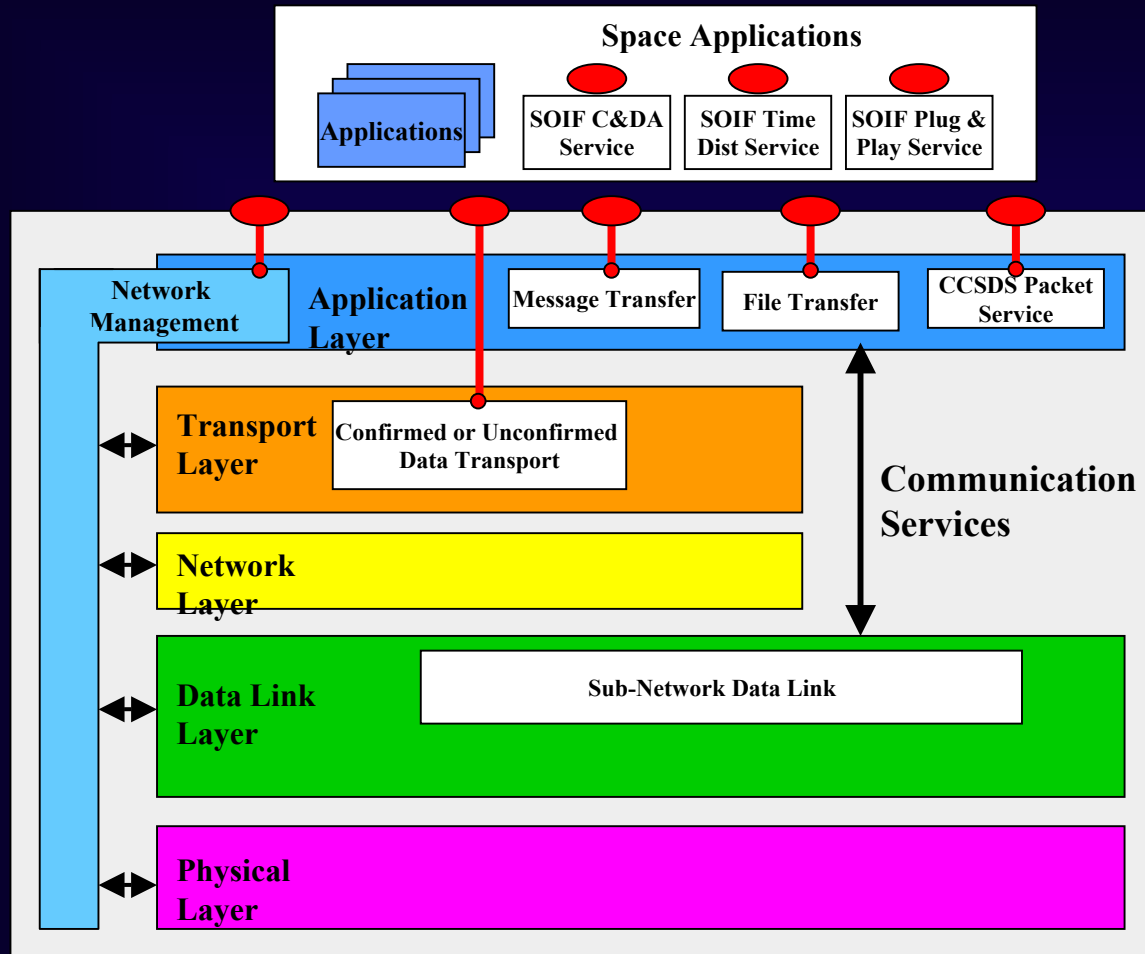
This Spacecraft Onboard Interface (SOIF) task will develop standards for onboard hardware and software interfaces, that will enable greater hardware and software reuse, reduce schedule, cost, and risk, and should reduce spacecraft wiring (harness) mass

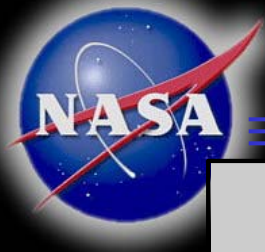
<u>Goals</u>	<u>Significance</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To develop communications services in the Space Applications and Messaging Layers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gives the Space Applications (Users) standard interfaces for all (inter and intra processor) communications
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A selection of services and protocols that make sense for spacecraft	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must not use excessive resources, or have an implementation cost higher than anticipated savings
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Can change the underlying data bus to meet the needs of the application	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Allows subsystems, devices, and science instruments ability to move between different spacecraft

The combined effect of meeting these goals will be to separate the hardware from the implementation of the Space Applications



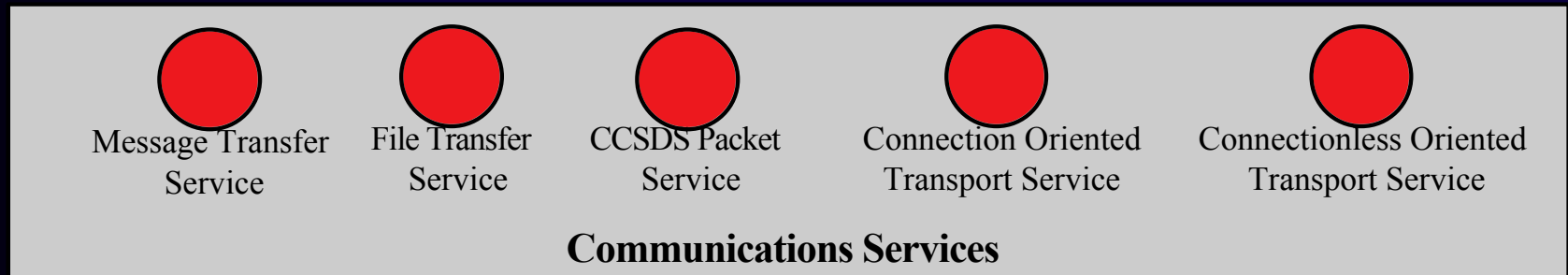
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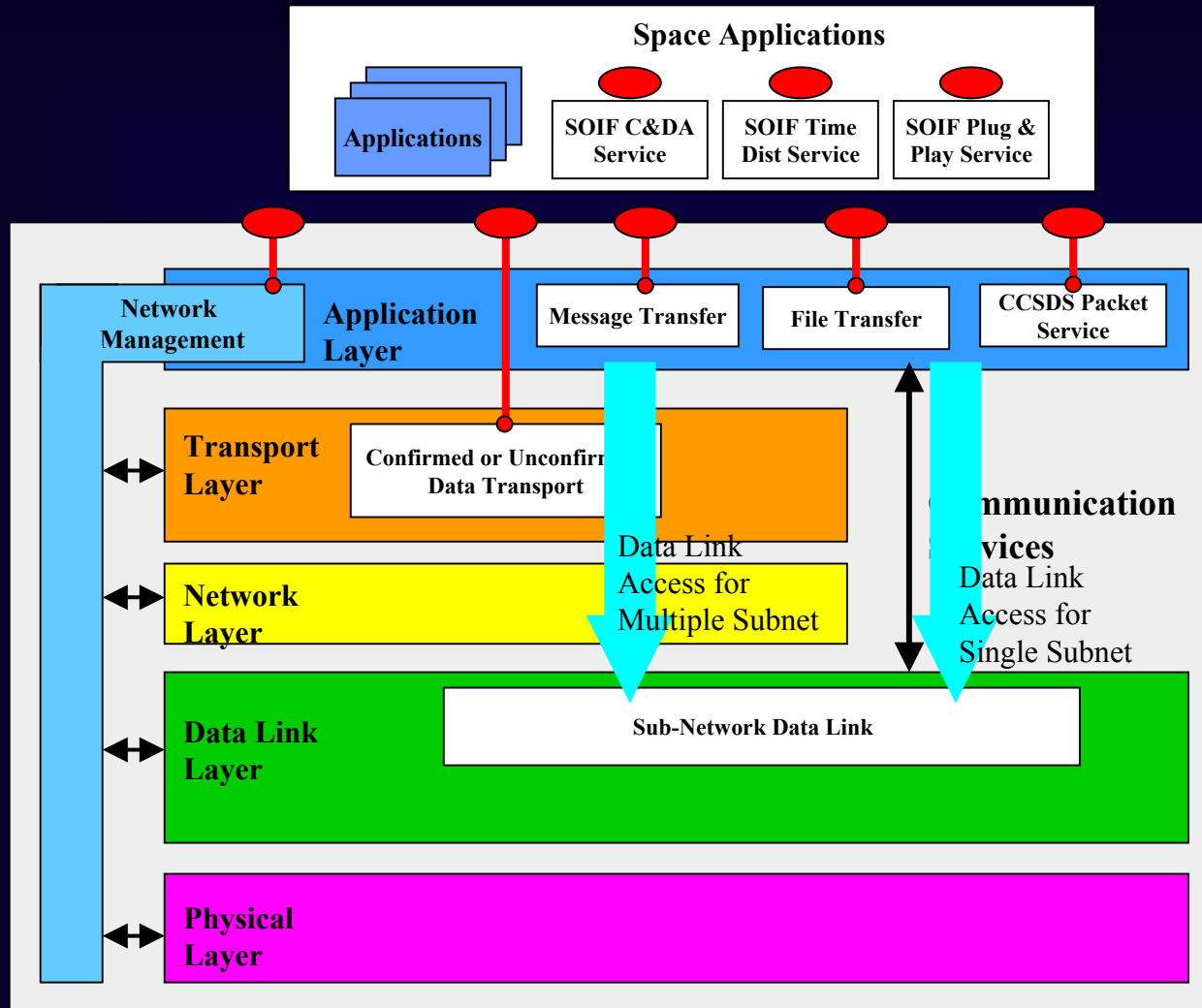
SOIF Services



- ◆ Communications Services, which provide communications
 - ❖ Especially important for standard interfaces for the Message, File, and CCSDS Packet Services
- ◆ SOIF Services provide capabilities directly to Users
 - ❖ Services that are used by many User Applications



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- ◆ One path is from the Applications Layer to the Data Link Layer through the Transport and Network Layer
 - ❖ For multiple subnetworks (busses) onboard the S/C
- ◆ Other path is direct to the Data Link Layer
 - ❖ For a single subnetwork (bus) onboard the S/C
- ◆ Use of the Application Layer services with the same interface can be used to access either path without impact to the Users
 - ❖ Can have access to any possible Data Link/Physical Layers (bus)



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- ◆ SOIF can provide standard interface to all Users, while interfacing to any type of underlying data bus
- ◆ SOIF is a collaborative effort between the member agencies of CCSDS
- ◆ We all expect that SOIF will be the dominate for of onboard interface once it has been accepted by the community
- ◆ SOIF will bring important advantages in cost, schedule, and risk to the using projects


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